

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

1 A wireless communication terminal has an air interface for interfacing
2 the terminal to a base station, an internal power source and an external power
3 source. A power control circuit normally energizes the wireless
4 communication terminal with the external power source and energizes the
5 terminal with the internal power source when the external power source is
6 faulty. A monitor circuit is provided for monitoring the external power
7 source and sending a message from the air interface to a base station
8 controller via the base station when the communication terminal is operating
9 with the internal power source.